

MEMORANDUM

TO: PESB Members

FROM: Esther Baker, Program Director, Teacher Assessments

DATE: October 26, 2009

SUBJECT: TAB 4 – ProTeach Portfolio: Pilot Results
 (November 12, 10:00-11:00 a.m.)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION / PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

Date	Action
2007 Legislation	RCW 28A.410.220 (14) was established to provide directive for the PESB “by January 1, 2010, set performance standards and develop, pilot, and implement a uniform and externally administered professional-level certification assessment based on demonstrated teaching skill. In the development of this assessment, consideration shall be given to changes in professional certification program components such as the culminating seminar.”
July 2008	PESB passed WAC addressing the transition occurring in the evaluation of a candidate’s portfolio of evidence, which results in the award of the professional certificate: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prior to January 1, 2010 candidates must submit a portfolio of evidence for evaluation to an approved professional certificate program. 2. Between 1/1/10 and 9/1/11 candidates have two options available for submission of a portfolio for evaluation-- to either an approved program or to the external assessment. 3. After September 1, 2011 candidates must submit a portfolio for evaluation to the uniform and external assessment.
May 2009	Passage of the Basic Education Legislation (HB 2261) established the conditions for candidates to submit a portfolio of evidence assessment, pass the assessment, and be awarded the professional certificate without attending an approved program. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Beginning no earlier than September 1, 2011, award of professional certificate shall be based on a minimum of two years of successful teaching experience as defined by the board and on the results of the evaluation authorized under RCW 28A.410.210 (14) and under this section and may not require candidates to

	<p>enroll in a professional certification program.”</p> <p>2. By January 1, 2010, the PESB will submit an update on implementation of uniform and external assessment for teacher professional certification.</p>
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ANTICIPATED OUTCOME(S)

The PESB will be informed about the *ProTeach Portfolio* pilot results.

Work Plan Goal:

Goal 4—An agreed upon and widely understood system for review and revision of high and relevant preparation standards and certification requirements for all educators.

Ends Policy: All Washington educators will be prepared and certified according to high and rigorous standards to ensure they are effective in helping students meet or exceed state learning goals.